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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Application No.: 09/603,144  
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Inventor(s):  
Jones et al.

Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD  
FOR EXTERNALIZATION  
OF RULES FOR  
ASSESSING DAMAGES

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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136 FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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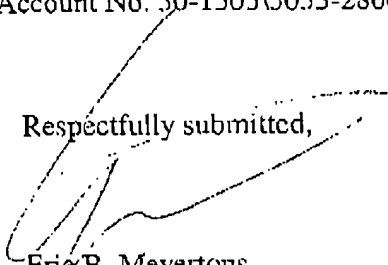
Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 within which to respond to the Official Action mailed April 8, 2003, such extension allowing the undersigned until August 8, 2003 to respond. If any further extension of time is required, Applicant hereby requests the appropriate extension of time.

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A fee authorization is enclosed authorizing \$110.00 for a one-month extension of time fee. However, if the fee authorization is missing or insufficient, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-1505\5053-28000\EBM.

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